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SUBJECT: Lithium Reanalysis – HW29 18 July 2012

Dimock, PA

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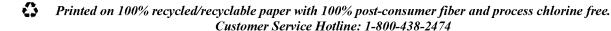
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Samples initially collected from residential wells in Dimock during Weeks 1 through 4 were recently reanalyzed to achieve lower detection limits for lithium. Findings for HW29 are presented below.

Lithium

Lithium was reported in wellhead samples collected from HW29 (unfiltered and filtered) at concentrations of 462 to 533 ug/L. These concentrations exceed lithium's risk-based screening level of 31 ug/L; long-term exposure to the maximum wellhead concentration of lithium (533 ug/L) would generate a Hazard Quotient of 17. Under acute exposure conditions, ATSDR has suggested a screening concentration of 1500 ug/L for lithium in drinking water.



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